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APPLICANT: Brian James Martin, et al

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FOR: METHOD OF REDUCING CONTENTION OF A HIGHLY CONTENTED
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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME; 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Sir:

This is a petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for an extension of time for a total period of two (2) month from January 22, 2001 to March 22, 2001 to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed November 22, 2000.

Enclosed herewith is a check for the required fee of \$390.00.

Applicants also conditionally petition for a further extension time to provide for the possibility that such a petition is required.

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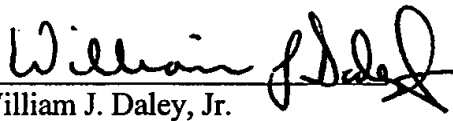
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If for any reason a fee is required, a fee paid is inadequate or credit is owed for any excess
fee paid, you are hereby authorized and requested to charge Deposit Account No. **04-1105**.

Respectfully submitted,
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